

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
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Hiromu IZUMIDA, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 6932
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Application No.: 10/577,765	:	Group Art Unit: 1793
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Filed: April 28, 2006	:	Examiner: ZHU, WEIPING
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For: STAINLESS STEEL WIRE, SPRING, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SPRING		

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Sir:

The following Remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated January 2, 2009. Please enter the Remarks in the above-identified application as follows.